

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 STATE 220038

55

ORIGIN EB-11

INFO OCT-01 ARA-16 ISO-00 FMC-04 COME-00 CIAE-00 INR-10

NSAE-00 RSC-01 USPS-02 /045 R

DRAFTED BY EB/MA:JPSTEINMETZ:EE

APPROVED BY EB/MA:RAWEBB

ARA/CAR:GHIGH

----- 061607

R 072315Z NOV 73

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE

UNCLAS STATE 220038

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN, HA

SUBJ: OCEAN SHIPPING: GOH POSTAL CONTRACT PROBLEM

REF: PORT-AU-PRINCE 1895

1. DEPT BELIEVES SUBSIDY MENTIONED BY UNDER SECRETARY REFERS TO OPERATING DIFFERENTIAL SUBSIDIES (ODS) GRANTED ONLY RPT ONLY TO QUALIFIED US-FLAG STEAMSHIP LINES PROVIDING SERVICE ON ESSENTIAL US FOREIGN TRADE ROUTES. OBJECT OF ODS IS TO ENABLE HIGH LABOR COST US LINES TO COMPETE ON AN EQUAL BASIS WITH FOREIGN FLAG COMPETITION WHICH BENEFITS FROM LOWER WAGE COSTS. WE DO NOT KNOW THE RATE CHARGED THE GOH BY PRU-GRACE FOR PARCEL POST MAIL. HOWEVER, THE FACT THAT RATES CHARGED BY PRU-GRACE WERE APPARENTLY LOW SHOULD NOT BE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ANY OPERATING DIFFERENTIAL SUBSIDY PRU-GRACE MAY HAVE ENJOYED.

2. DEPT AWARE US POST OFFICE CONTRACTS OUGOING INTERNATIONAL MAIL CARRIAGE WITH US-FLAG STEAMSHIP LINES ON BID BASIS. MOST FOREIGN POSTAL SERVICES USE NATIONAL FLAG LINES WHEN AVAILABLE. IN OTHER INSTANCES MAIL MOVES AT ESTABLISHED UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION RATES OR THOSE SET BY A PARTICULAR SHIPPING CONFERENCE, ALTHOUGH USUALLY COUNTRY WILL TRY TO NEGOTIATE A MAIL CARRIAGE CONTRACT

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 STATE 220038

A SINGLE CARRIER ON MORE ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS. RUSH

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: STEAMSHIP LINES, POSTAL RATES, POSTAL SERVICE
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 07 NOV 1973
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1973STATE220038
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: JPSTEINMETZ:EE
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1973/newtext/t19731148/aaaabjhq.tel
Line Count: 61
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ORIGIN EB
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: PORT-AU-PRINCE 1895
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: thigpegh
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 29 JAN 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <29-Jan-2002 by chappeld>; APPROVED <01 MAR 2002 by thigpegh>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: OCEAN SHIPPING: GOH POSTAL CONTRACT PROBLEM
TAGS: ETRN, HA
To: PORT AU PRINCE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005